(c) The steps taken by the Government *inter alia* include (a) modernization and strengthening of the State Police forces, (b) long term deployment of Para Military forces for intensified intelligence based wellcoordinated anti-naxalite operations, (c) focused attention on intergrated development of the affected areas and (d) removal of socio-cultural alienation of people, gearing up of public grievances redressal system and creation of Local Resistance Groups.

Besides, SSB deployment in Bihar on Indo-Nepal border has been strengthened to prevent the ingress of CPN (Maoist) activities in the State. The Government of Bihar has been advised to strengthen and fortify police stations which are prone to naxalite attacks.

Amendments in FCRA, 1976

1035. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the massive diversion of foreign funds by Non-Government Organisations(NGOs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to suitably amend the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, to make it difficult for NGOs to use funds for purpose other than the specified purpose;

(d) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(e) when such amendments are likely to be made in the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) No instances of massive diversion of funds have come to the notice of Government. However, the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 empowers the Central Government to take action against foreign contribution recipient organizations, which are found contravening the provisions of the Act,

including acceptance of foreign contribution without registration or prior permission, or not properly utilizing it for the stated purposes and objectives. The action includes placing the organization in the prior permission category, prohibiting it from receiving any foreign contribution, freezing its bank account, prosecuting it in a court of law, etc.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The draft Bill named 'Foreign Contribution (Management and Control) Bill, 2005,' as was presented to the Cabinet, has been uploaded on the Ministry of Home Affairs website. www.mha.nic. in for seeking comments/ views of different stakeholders. This may be visited to see the salient features of the proposed legislation.

(e) The proposed Bill has been referred to the Group of Ministers by the Cabinet on 23.6.2005.

Assessment of damage due to floods

1036. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made an assessment of damage due to floods in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) was the Disaster Management mechanism in place in those regions;

(d) if so, how has been its performance;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) what measures are being taken to further strengthen the Disaster Management mechanism at local level to mitigate the disaster?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) The provisional estimates of damage